GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR
LOK SABHA

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PROMOTION OF AGRO BASED FORESTRY AND HORTICULTURE
BHAWANA GAWALI (PATIL)

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to promote agro based forestry and horticulture in the country particularly in Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGF RURAL INDUSTRIES (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) & (b): The Margin Money Scheme launched by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) for the development of village industries, including agro based industries is being implemented in all the States of the country including Maharashtra. Under this scheme, margin money at 25% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and additional 10% from Rs. 10 lakhs to Rs. 25 lakhs of the project cost is provided by the KVIC. For the weaker sections, the margin money is given at the rate of 30% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lkahs and for the balance amount (upto Rs. 25 lakhs) it is 10%.